

UTAH STATE NEWS.

There are a number of smallpox cases, all of a mild form, in Provo.

Miss Lizzie Robbins of Provo was seriously injured in a runaway accident last week.

Ore and bullion settlements on the Salt Lake market during the past week amounted to \$400,400.

Orson Speers, who came to Utah in 1848, died at his home in Salt Lake City last week at the age of 63.

The payroll of the Utah Sugar company at Lehi on the 10th was \$55,000, \$41,500 for beets and \$10,500 for wages.

Provo capitalists have petitioned for the right of way for operating a railroad and telephone line through Lehi.

Beet digging in the south end of Sevier valley is well advanced, the crop being the best ever raised in the valley.

Mail boxes are to be placed on a number of the street cars of Salt Lake City for the accommodation of the public.

The curfew ordinance is to be rigidly enforced in Salt Lake City in the future, and at 9 o'clock all small boys must be at home.

Smallpox has again made its appearance at American Fork, a number of children in the public schools being attacked.

Earl Effe, a five-year-old Salt Lake boy, was last Sunday dangerously wounded by a stone from a boy's slingshot.

John M. Commons, who has been superintendent of the Ouray school, Utah, for four years, has been transferred to the Lemhi agency, Idaho.

Roy Green, the Salt Lake messenger boy who decamped with \$130 entrusted to him for deposit in a bank, has been captured and brought back to Salt Lake for trial.

Frank Holding, aged 12, while playing on top of a moving train in Salt Lake City, fell between the cars and suffered the loss of both legs. His recovery is doubtful.

A transient brick mason was killed near Morgan last week by a passenger train. The man was drunk and was supplied with three more bottles of whiskey, which were found in his pockets.

All of the sugar factories are in active operation, and the outlook is excellent for a large output of sugar this year. The Utah Sugar company expects to make 20,000,000 pounds this year.

Fred Gordon, a youth who had just been released from the Salt Lake City jail, attempted suicide by lying down in front of a passenger train, but was saved by a bystander who dragged him away from the track.

David Guest, a resident of Mill Creek, while driving home from Salt Lake, felt a stinging sensation on the left side of his head, investigation proving that he had been struck by a bird shot fired by some reckless hunter.

Stockmen who have been having their annual fall drive in the vicinity of St. George, report their cattle looking bad on account of the long drought. Many of them are going to pasture the cattle during the winter months.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William Lamph, of Cleveland, this state, died in Salt Lake City last week from the effects of swallowing a prickly bur which it is some way got hold of at its parents home a few days previous.

The body of an John Hughes was found face downward in a small stream in Parley's canyon last week. It is supposed the man, who was a laborer, had wandered away while intoxicated and fell into the ditch, where he died.

James L. McLaren, a veteran of the Crimea, died in Salt Lake City last week, aged 62 years. McLaren entered the British army service at the age of 12 as a bugler and lost a leg in the famous charge of the Light Brigade at Balaklava.

The townsites of Venice has been surveyed and platted. It contains 160 acres in sixteen blocks. The streets are to be five rods wide. This little village is situated about five miles northeast of Richfield, and is getting to be quite a town.

Dorothy Averett, aged five, was run over by a street car in Salt Lake City last week and instantly killed. The little one attempted to cross the track in front of a rapid moving car, the supposition being that she did not see the car approaching.

It develops that the man who was killed in a railroad accident near Price, and who it was thought was a tramp, was Private David Fitzgerald of Company H, Twelfth Infantry, and who gained an enviable record during his service in the Philippines.

Ireta, the two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Reid of Mant, was drowned last week by falling into a tub of water containing soap suds, which strangled the little one to death. The child at the time of the accident was playing about the yard.

Land owners of Summit, Morgan, Weber and Davis counties have a scheme on hand looking to the construction of two big reservoirs near the headwaters of the Weber river, which carried out will prove of incalculable benefit to all parties concerned.

WOMAN STARTS RACE RIOT.

SERIOUS TROUBLE BREAKS OUT IN AN ALABAMA TOWN.

Negro Woman Pushed White Man From Railroad Trestle and Started a Free for all Fight Between Whites and Blacks.

One white man is missing and supposed to be dead, another is fatally wounded and two negroes are seriously shot as a result of a race riot at Littleton, a small mining town twenty-three miles from Birmingham, Alabama. Supposed dead: Ira Creel, white. The injured: Joe Thompson, white, shot through bowels, serious; John Baer, negro, shot in heel and thigh, serious; William Tolbert, negro, who shot Thompson, shot in chest, serious.

The trouble was precipitated by a negro woman, who pushed Joe Thompson, a white man, from a railroad trestle. The woman was accompanied by William Tolbert, a negro, who fired on the white man after he had fallen. Thompson, who was not seriously hurt, went for assistance, and, accompanied by Ira Creel and John House, began a search for the negroes. Other negroes had joined Tolbert by this time, and from improvised breastworks they fired upon the white men. Thompson fell at the first shot and his companions sought cover. A fusillade followed, and only ceased when both sides had exhausted their ammunition. The white citizens of Littleton became alarmed for fear of further trouble, as the negroes were largely in the majority, and called on Sheriff Burgin for assistance.

The negroes are said to have stolen several hundred pounds of powder from one of the magazines at the mines, and there is fear that they will attempt to blow up some of the buildings. Littleton is closely guarded.

JIM YOUNGER SUICIDES.

Member of Notorious Gang of Bandits Takes His Own Life.

James Younger, formerly a member of the notorious James boys band of outlaws, which infested the western country a quarter of a century ago, committed suicide at St. Paul, Minn., Saturday by shooting. He left a letter to the press in which he gives as a reason for his act, despondency over continued ill health and separation from his friends. The suicide is supposed to have occurred about 8 o'clock in the morning. Younger occupied a room in a downtown block, and when he did not make his appearance as usual, search was made for him. About 5 o'clock in the afternoon the door of his room was broken in and his dead body found stretched on the floor beside his bed, a revolver clutched in his right hand. He had shot himself through the head and evidently had been dead for several hours.

Younger, since his pardon from the state penitentiary in July of last year, has led an exemplary life. His first employment was as a traveling agent for a tombstone dealer, and on one of the trips he made about the state he was quite seriously hurt by a fall from a wagon. Old wounds he had received in earlier life also gave him much trouble, and although he soon obtained lighter employment, his health was extremely precarious, and this caused him much worry. He was 54 years of age.

James Younger was the youngest of three brothers, Robert, Coleman and James Younger, who, between the years of 1866 and 1873, gained great notoriety through their association with Jesse and Frank James. The band headed by Jesse James was charged with innumerable robberies of banks and railroad trains, the execution of which many desperate encounters took place and a number of men were killed. The members of the band had served through the Civil war, fighting on the side of the Confederacy with Quantrell and his guerrillas. The scenes of most of their post-bellum depredations was the state of Missouri and those adjacent thereto.

STAGE HELD UP.

Three Masked Men Rob Passengers Near North Yamhill.

The Tillamook stage was held up Saturday night by three masked men five miles from North Yamhill, Ore. The robbers secured \$200 from the passengers and then escaped. The highwaymen compelled the passengers to get out of the stage, stand in line at the roadside and hand over their valuables. The country is heavily timbered and there is little probability of capturing the robbers.

Monstrous Montana Apple.

Jack C. Griffin, the well known ranchman of the Bear Paws, has on exhibition in Havre, Mont., an apple grown on his ranch. The apple weighs one pound and is fifteen inches in circumference, and is of the "King of Thompson County" variety. It is from a tree five years old. All the farmers in the Bear Paw district have, during the past few years, planted fruit orchards, and Choteau county, in time, will produce as fine fruit as is grown elsewhere in Montana.

She Wouldn't Eat Tamatoes.

Edward C. Binder of 2605 Nineteenth street, San Francisco, took a tame home to his wife, Rose, one night last month, she alleges in a divorce complaint, and because she did not obey his command and get out of bed and eat it with sufficient alacrity, he lost his temper and proceeded to demolish the furniture in the room. She alleges also that he loaded his revolver and threatened to kill her. The Binders were married in February, 1927, and have three children. The defendant is a carpenter.

Bank Employee Missing.

Mystery still surrounds the strange disappearance of H. B. Palmer of the staff of the Bank of Montreal of New Westminster, B. C. He has not been seen since Wednesday morning. So far the police have been unable to trace him, and it is believed he met with foul play or else fell into the river. Mr. Palmer's books have been examined and found to be in perfect condition. He has lately been somewhat delicate, but the theory of suicide offered by some has no material basis.

WAS LURED TO HER DEATH.

Killing of Mrs. Sammons Near Grant, Wyoming, is Being Investigated.

The case of Charles A. Sammons, who was brought to Cheyenne from Grant, Wyoming, and lodged in jail on a charge of murdering his wife, presents some unusual phases. The killing occurred at the ranch of Sammons' sister, Mrs. Brae, and appears to have been the result of a cold-blooded scheme to get Mrs. Sammons out of the way.

Sammons came to Wyoming several months ago, having deserted his wife and two small children in Oklahoma. A third child, a boy 9 years of age, Sammons brought with him. The deserted wife made every effort to locate her husband, and by accident discovered his presence at Grant.

She wrote an appealing letter for him to return or allow her to come to him. The answer was a telegram telling her to come at once, that her child was ill and not expected to live. On the next train she started for Wyoming and her death. The Brae ranch is thirty miles from the nearest railroad point.

Mrs. Sammons arrived at Wheatland Wednesday morning in a distracted condition and rode all that day in order to reach the child's bedside as soon as possible. She reached the Brae place shortly before midnight, to find that her son was not ill, and to be greeted with abuse and reviling by her husband.

Two hours later a report was sent from the place that Mrs. Sammons had either accidentally shot herself or had committed suicide. Neighbors regarded the circumstances as suspicious and telegraphed for the coroner to come. The result of his investigation was that Sammons was arrested for murder.

The coroner's jury's verdict is that Mrs. Sammons came to her death from the effects of a shotgun charge; that the wound is so situated that it could not have been self-inflicted; that there was no chance for the shooting to have been accidental, and that in the minds of the jury the wound killing Mrs. Sammons was the result of a shotgun charge fired by C. A. Sammons.

The circumstances in the case leave little doubt that Sammons was afraid that his wife would follow him to Grant and make trouble; that he sent her a false message in order that she would come to the Brae ranch, and murdered her in cold blood upon her arrival. The only other persons about the ranch at the time of the killing were Mrs. Brae and the Sammons boy. Sammons has little to say in regard to the shooting. He is a middle-aged man and has one wooden leg. Reports from Oklahoma say that he treated his wife shamefully there.

CASTRO IS VICTORIOUS.

Venezuelan Rebels Defeated After Desperate Battle, in Which Three Thousand Men Were Killed.

A messenger has arrived at La Victoria, Venezuela, from the scene of the engagement near that place, between government troops and revolutionists, bringing the news that after several days of terrible fighting, 9,000 rebels under General Mendoza had abandoned the field, having retired from their last position, six miles from La Victoria, Friday night, retreating in the direction of Villa de Cura. According to President Castro, the killed and wounded number 3,000.

During the last days of the fighting, the temperature rose to 116 degrees, and a visitor to the scene of the engagement declares he never saw such a terrible spectacle as was presented by the battlefield.

The victory of the government troops, which is said to be due to the personal courage of President Castro, who, twice, with a Mauser rifle in hand, charged at the head of his soldiers, is considered a serious set-back for the cause of the revolutionists.

Young Englishman Killed in Attempt to Win Small Bet.

A young Englishman jumped from the top of a Santa Fe freight train while crossing the Salt Fork bridge, near Ponca City, Okla., saying the momentum would carry him to the bank, and making a small bet to that effect. He fell short, however, struck a rock in the river and was instantly killed. In his pockets were found evidences that he was a nephew of the Earl of Lonsdale, and that he had served in the British army in India.

Drank Carbolic Acid.

Joseph Bernheim, a well-known bookkeeper of Helena, Mont., sat down near the courthouse and drank the contents of a six-ounce bottle of carbolic acid. Death followed in less than five minutes, and it is believed that it was directly caused by the strangulation due to the contraction of the muscles of the throat, for the reason that the acid had not had time to work on the stomach. He has been an invalid for months, and every effort to regain health had been fruitless.

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HAITIEN REVOLUTION IS OVER

SUCH ADVICES RECEIVED AT NAVY DEPARTMENT FROM COMMANDER MASON.

General Firmly Evacuates Gonaives, Accompanied by About Twenty-five Followers, Leaving No Government There.

The following cablegram has been received at the navy department from the commander of the U. S. S. Cincinnati:

"Nicholas Mole, Haiti, October 17.—St. Marc surrendered on October 14th and the national forces occupied the town peacefully. The Cincinnati arrived at Gonaives Wednesday noon (October 15th). Firmly evacuated Gonaives October 15th and has left by a Hamburg-American Steam Packet company's steamer for Mathewson, Bahama island, with about 25 adherents, leaving no government at that place.

"I have landed a force for the protection of the American consulate and to preserve order. The German gunboat landed a force also. The national forces are near at hand, and it is expected that they will occupy the town on Saturday or next day. All is quiet there. It is considered practically the end of the revolution.

"I am returning to Gonaives immediately. I shall embark a landing party and will proceed to Cape Haitien when affairs are settled at Gonaives. No attempt has been made to blockade the ports mentioned in my last telegram (St. Marc and Gonaives). The French cruiser D'Assas arrived at Gonaives Thursday, October 16th, at 8 p. m. MASON."

SOUFRIERE AGAIN ACTIVE.

Death Dealing Volcano Again Shows Its Terrible Uplift.

A terrific eruption of the Soufriere volcano commenced Thursday night. During the preceding day earth tremors, apparently too slight to be considered important, were experienced in the central and northern parts of the island.

At 8 o'clock there were indications of an eruption. Rumbling noises were heard, which increased when the roaring volcano belched out its deadly contents. This eruption was followed by a brief lull.

Then from 10 o'clock p. m. until 4 o'clock Friday morning, the upheaval continued. The outbreak was accompanied by an incessant and confused cannonading. There were incandescent clouds and sparkling matter was ejected. After 4 o'clock the disturbance gradually decreased, but the noise of the boiling cauldron is still audible in the distance.

Both craters of the Soufriere were apparently active.

Nearly a Billion Tons of Coal Mined Each Year.

The United States geological survey estimates the world's production of coal in 1901 at 866,165,140 short tons. The three great coal-producing countries of the world are the United States, Great Britain and Germany. Austria-Hungary comes fourth, France fifth, Belgium sixth and Russia seventh. The last country, notwithstanding its vast area, produces only about 6 percent as much coal as the United States. Prior to 1890, Great Britain led among the coal producers, but during 1890, 1900 and 1901 the United States has made such remarkable increase in coal production, due principally to the unprecedented activity in the iron and steel and in other metal trades, that it now stands far in the lead of all competitors, with a production in 1901 exceeding that of Great Britain by 47,965,938 short tons, or 19 percent.

COYOTE HUNTER SHOT.

Boy Seriously Injured by Accidental Discharge of Gun.

While out hunting near Maxwell, Cal., William Ortner was accidentally shot by his fourteen-year-old brother Jaues. The boys were after coyotes, and in his excitement when one was seen James dropped his gun to the ground, the fall discharging it. The bullet struck William in the left breast about two inches above the heart. The wound is quite serious, and the result cannot now be told.

Death Rather Than Jail.

At Pomeroy, Wash., because he was surrounded by officers of the law and could not escape, A. C. Miller, wanted at Dayton for stealing cattle, committed suicide. Miller stole fifteen head of cattle from John Schriberly on Snake river and sold nine of them in Dayton. He was tracked to Pomeroy. When the sheriff knocked on the door a voice from the inside admitted the man was there, but before the officers could make him prisoner he shot himself through the head.

San Francisco Counterfeiters Ship Their Ware to Manila.

Secret service officials are at work in San Francisco endeavoring to locate a gang of counterfeiters represented to be in that vicinity. During the past few weeks numerous complaints have been received from Manila and other places in the Philippines regarding counterfeit money which is being circulated in the islands. Merchants are of the opinion that the base money is being shipped from this city to Manila for sale.

CASTRO FIGHTING FOR LIFE AND THE PRESIDENCY.

Over 500 Men Slain on Both Sides in Desperate Battle With Revolutionists of Venezuela.

News has been received from Caracas that the battle near La Victoria between the forces of President Castro, numbering 4,100 men, with fifteen guns, and the Venezuelan revolutionists, which began Monday morning, has so far been without definite result.

General Matos, the leader of the revolution, and General Mendoza, were not present. The only rebel generals engaged were Guevara, Torres, Crespo and Antonio Fernandez, who had with them about 3,100 men, representing the advance guard of the revolutionists. President Castro twice led a charge in person and showed great courage and coolness. His lieutenant, General Alcantar, who was at one time at the West Point military academy, was mortally wounded. The government forces had 247 men killed, while the revolutionists lost 310 men. Among the latter was General Guevara.

The arrival at the scene of battle at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon of Vice President Gomez with 800 men and a large amount of ammunition saved the situation for the government. At that time the odds were greatly against President Castro, but the arrival of the reinforcements improved his position. The fight started again Tuesday and at 10 o'clock in the morning Castro retired to La Victoria. At 1 o'clock the fighting ceased on both sides.

President Castro appears to be surrounded by his enemies. The town of El Consejo, which lies back of La Victoria, is occupied by the revolutionists.

Valencia is supposed to be doomed. The town was attacked by General Riera on Monday and Tuesday. The government cannot receive reinforcements from Caracas as the German railroad from there to Valencia is held by rebels.

Oldest Admiral Dead.

Rear Admiral Thomas O. Selfridge, Sr., U. S. N., retired, died at the McLean asylum at Waverly, Mass., Wednesday. He was probably the oldest living officer of that rank in any navy in the world, and there is no other navy which had two admirals, father and son, both retired. The elder admiral was born in Massachusetts in 1804 and was appointed to the navy from that state on Jan. 1, 1818. The son, Rear Admiral Thomas O. Selfridge, Jr., was born Feb. 15, 1836, and joined the navy at the age of 15. The second oldest son is Commander James Russell Selfridge, born July 11, 1919, and in the navy since 1864.

During the senior Selfridge's earlier days he made some voyages in merchant vessels, as the navy was considerably reduced in ships for many years after the war of 1812, and there was but scant employment of the officers. He took an active part in the Mexican war and was severely wounded.

When the Civil war broke out Commander Selfridge was too far advanced in years to accept active duty at sea, and he was assigned as commandant of the Mare Island navy yard, 1862-64, and again in 1873. In the latter year all retired officers were withdrawn from active service. Admiral Selfridge resided at Georgetown, S. C., but for many years he paid annual visits to San Francisco, where he had two sons residing.

Says Government Will be Forced to Intervene in Labor Strikes.

Discussing the coal strike in the United States, the Zeit, a Vienna paper, makes a highly eulogistic comment on President Roosevelt's action. It says:

"The president filled the role in the world's theater of special pleader in behalf of the oppressed, vacant since the death of Mr. Gladstone."

Praising Mr. Roosevelt's action in the coal strike, the Zeit says it thinks his conception of the case, whether these labor wars ought to be permitted to extend to neutral territory, endangering the welfare of citizens not directly concerned, will oblige the states to intervene in these economic struggles.

Fatal Shooting Affray in Colorado.

A quarrel of long standing between William Vining, a saloonkeeper, and a family named Skiff at Gypsum, twenty-five miles east of Glenwood Springs, Colo., has resulted in the death of Vining.

Some cattle belonging to Vining broke into a field owned by the Skiffs. Guy Skiff, a young man of 20 years of age, started to drive them off, using a pitchfork as a prod. Vining saw this and came running over from his saloon. A fierce altercation ensued between the two men, and in a short time shots were exchanged. Skiff came out of the fracas unharmed, but Vining dropped to the ground with a bullet through his brain.

DROWNED IN WINE TANK.

Youth is Overcome by Gas in California Winery.

Collin Fryer, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Fryer, residing near Windsor, Cal., met death in a pomace tank at the Hotchkiss winery. Fryer had ascended to the top of the tank to see how fast it was filling. Nobody about the winery knew of his whereabouts and his absence was not noted for some time. Later in the day the workmen in the winery began a search for the missing youth, finally coming across his lifeless body in the pomace tank.

NORTHWEST NOTES.

The city council of Butte has hung up the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone franchise indefinitely.

A discovery of gold was made while excavating for the federal building at Butte. A pan will show many colors to the glass.

Telephone communication between Cheyenne and Thermopolis is completed and that city is now in touch with the outer world.

Thomas Garrity met with a peculiar accident at the Pueblo Steel works by which a bar of white-hot iron penetrated his right thigh to the bone.

James Martin, who was to be executed at Deer Lodge, Mont., next week for the murder of Brakeman Williams, has been granted a stay of execution.

Two railroad men have discovered a reef of rock in the Tobacco Root range, situated not far from Butte, assays from which show \$22,000 in gold per ton.

The cornerstone of the new Elk temple at Cheyenne was laid last week with imposing ceremonies. Visiting Elks were present from Colorado and Wyoming points.

At Golden, John Ebenhack stabbed Charles Betts in the back with a pocket-knife, inflicting a painful but not dangerous wound. The quarrel was over receipts at Labor day picnic.

Boulder, Colo., oil well operators are rejoicing over the incoming empty tank cars now appearing in the yards there. The shortage had put them at a disadvantage for some time.

A party of about twenty tourists arrived at Meeker from Buford, Colo., one night last week. On one wagon load were sixteen bucks. Four wagons were loaded with forty-seven deer.

A blacksmith named Chase, camping with his wife near Glenwood Springs, Colo., accidentally shot himself in the right leg above the ankle, breaking both bones. His injuries are considered serious.

Dan Cunningham a Camp Bird miner, crazed by powder smoke, chased Hugh McKenna, foreman, about the shaft-house with a revolver and two sticks of dynamite. He was finally overpowered.

The Butte Miners' union last week forwarded \$3,259 to headquarters for the benefit of the striking coal miners of Pennsylvania, while the mill and smelter men of Anaconda added \$1,500 to the fund.

It is announced that work on the new sugar factory at Winsor, Colo., to be built by the Winsor Sugar company, will begin November 15th. The building is to cost \$350,000 and have a daily capacity of 500 tons.

John Dunn, charged with the killing of Fred Brammner, a boy, on his father's ranch on South Boulder creek, at a point about six miles from Boulder, Colo., last spring, is on trial in the district court at Boulder.

Moses Decker, a well-known farmer in the central part of Gallatin valley, Montana, met sudden death last week. He was on top of a load of grain. He was dragged off and two wheels of the wagon passed over his body just below the heart, breaking nearly all his ribs on the left side.

The three-year-old daughter of Michael McCormick, former police officer, fell from the back porch of the third floor of a building in Butte, a distance of forty feet, and miraculously escaped instant death. A physician was called and found that the legs of the child were broken, but that she suffered no internal injuries.

The Atlantic & Pacific Oil company has issued an order that employees must not smoke or for any reason light matches in the engine-house or about the vicinity of the well now being driven in the Spring valley field, for the reason that the great amount of gas which is escaping from the well may cause an explosion.

The supreme court has denied the application for writ of mandamus of John W. Sammon to compel secretary of state of Wyoming to place his name on the official ballot as a candidate for judge of the Third judicial district on the ground that there could not be a valid election for judge of the Third district in November next, regardless and entirely independent of the question of the time of the expiration of the present incumbent.

The Wyoming industrial convention, which was scheduled to be held in Cheyenne in December, has been postponed until February, in order that members of the legislature, which will then be in session, may be in attendance.

State Veterinarian Knowles of Montana has decided that the band of sheep on Crooked creek supposed to be afflicted with scab are entirely free from that disease, thus allaying the fears of many sheepmen of that district.

Active work on the new sugar factory at Fort Collins, Colo., has begun. The Barry site was selected and levels run and stakes set for the excavation. The plant will be pushed as fast as possible. It will have a 1200-ton daily capacity.

Members of a desperate gang of horse-thieves have been surrounded in the Purgatoire canyon, twenty-five miles east of Trinidad, Colo., and it is expected that a pitched battle will soon result when the posse attempts to take them.